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In re Application of: Kailash C. Gulati et al.	§	Examiner: Grosso, Harry A.
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Title: Liquefied Natural Gas Storage Tank	§	Confirmation No.: 2384
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT  
MAILED MARCH 3, 2006**

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Allowability mailed March 3, 2006. Examiner Grosso has restricted the invention to claims 1-18 in this application. Examiner has required Applicants to affirm their verbal election between groups I and II.

- I. Claims 1-18 are drawn to a rectangular fluid storage tank classified in class 220, subclass 560.04.
- II. Claims 19-35 are drawn to methods of making a fluid storage tank, classified in class 29, subclass 469.

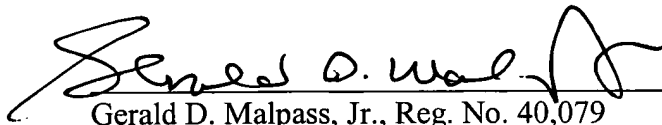
**ELECTION/RESTRICTION**

Applicants hereby affirm election of Group I, claims 1 – 18.

Applicants also submit herewith a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in the above-referenced application. Applicants have submitted an Information Disclosure Statement with said RCE.

If the Examiner wishes to discuss this application with counsel, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



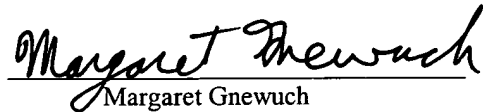
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